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**Police Investigate Suspicious Death In Tijuana River Valley**

San Diego- On March 14, 2019, the body of an unidentified man was found partially covered in water, mud and debris in the Tijuana River behind the Las Americas Premium Outlets. The man appeared to have been there for some time. Due to the condition of the body, no obvious signs of injury were noticed. The San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office took custody of the man's body and an autopsy was performed on March 15, 2019. During the autopsy, traumatic injuries were discovered prompting a police investigation.

The San Diego Police Homicide Unit was notified and is handling the investigation. The investigation is in the preliminary stages and the injuries suffered by the man will not be disclosed at this time. The area where the man's body was discovered is very close to the border between the United States and Mexico. It is possible the man's body was carried by the Tijuana River across the border into the United States, where it was discovered.

The victim has not been identified at this time. Investigators are hopeful they will be able to identify the man based on his distinctive tattoos.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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